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In re Application of

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**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the references that were submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 6, 2004. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the PTO-1449 form is attached hereto.

A Notice of Allowability was issued on March 13, 2007. However, the Examiner has not indicated consideration of the references.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the references submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on December 6, 2004.

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